



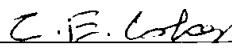
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In re Application of: Duff et al.)
Application No.: 09/247,874) Art Unit: 1632
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2000, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks in this request for reconsideration. Kindly amend the specification as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 4, line 27, replace "guanine" with --cytosine--;